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In response to the official action mailed October 2, 2008, please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 21-40 as follows in which the claim additions are shown by underlining and/or the claim deletions are shown by strikeout or brackets. Please enter the amended claims into the record of this case.